

2. The cordless telephone according to claim 1, wherein:  
said MPEG audio player is integrated within said remote handset.

4. The cordless telephone according to claim 1, wherein:  
said MPEG audio player is an MP3 player.

5. The cordless telephone according to claim 2, wherein:  
said MPEG audio player is an MP3 player.

6. A method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless  
telephone, comprising:  
playing MP3 music from a remote handset of a cordless telephone.

7. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless  
telephone according to claim 6, wherein:  
said MP3 music is pre-loaded before said step of playing.

8. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless  
telephone according to claim 7, wherein:  
said MP3 music is played substantially real-time as it is received by  
said cordless telephone.

9. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless  
telephone according to claim 7, further comprising:  
muting said playing of said pre-loaded MP3 music when said  
remote handset is active in a current telephone call.

10. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless  
telephone according to claim 9, wherein:  
said muting pauses said playing of said pre-loaded MP3 music.

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11. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 6, further comprising:  
downloading digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format to said remote handset directly from a remote bit stream audio source.

12. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 11, further comprising:  
storing said downloaded digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format in a base unit of said cordless telephone.

13. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 11, further comprising:  
storing said downloaded digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format in said remote handset of said cordless telephone.

14. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 13, wherein:  
said downloaded digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format is stored in Flash memory in said remote handset.

15. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 11, wherein:  
said remote bit stream audio source is accessible by said remote handset via an Internet.

17. The method of integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 11, wherein:  
said MPEG format is an MP3 format.

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18. Apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone, comprising:

means for playing pre-loaded MP3 music from a remote handset of a cordless telephone.

19. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 18, further comprising:

means for muting said playing of said pre-loaded MP3 music when said remote handset is active in a current telephone call.

20. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 19, wherein:

said means for muting pauses said playing of said pre-loaded MP3 music.

21. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 18, further comprising:

means for downloading digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format to said remote handset directly from a remote bit stream audio source.

22. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 21, further comprising:

means for storing said downloaded digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format in a base unit of said cordless telephone.

23. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 21, further comprising:

means for storing said downloaded digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format in said remote handset of said cordless telephone.

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24. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 23, wherein:

said means for storing stores said downloaded digital bit stream music comprised in an MPEG format in Flash memory in said remote handset.

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25. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 21, wherein:

said remote bit stream audio source is accessible by said remote handset via an Internet.

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27. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 21, wherein:

said MPEG format is an MP3 format.

28. The apparatus for integrating an MPEG audio player in a cordless telephone according to claim 21, further comprising:

means for decompressing MPEG formatted music into digital music samples for digital to analog output.